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ACT No. V OF 1899.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.

(Received the assent of the Governor General on the 10th
February, 1899.)

An Act to further amend the Indian Evidence Act, 1872.

I of 1872.

WHEREAS it is expedient to further amend the Indian Evidence Act, 1872; It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Indian Evidence Act, 1899; and

Short title
and com-
mencement.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

I of 1872.

2. To section 37 of the Indian Evidence Act, 1872, the following shall be added, namely:—

Addition to
section 37,
Act I, 1872.

“This section applies also to any Act of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, the Punjab or Burma.”

XVIII of
1872.

3. (1) In section 45 of the said Act, as amended by section 4 of the Indian Evidence Act Amendment Act, after the word “handwriting,” in each of the two places in which it occurs, the words “or finger-impressions” shall be inserted.

Amendment
of section 45,
and addition
to section 73,
Act I, 1872.

(2) To section 73 of the said Act the following shall be added, namely:—

“This section applies also, with any necessary modifications, to finger-impressions.”

III of 1891.

4. In section 86 of the said Act, as amended by section 8 of the Indian Evidence Act (1872) Amendment Act, 1891, for the second paragraph the following shall be substituted, namely:—

Amendment
of section 86,
Act I, 1872.

“An officer who, with respect to any territory or place not forming part of Her Majesty's dominions,

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is a Political Agent therefor, as defined in section 3, clause (40), of the General Clauses Act, 1897, shall X of 1897.
for the purposes of this section, be deemed to be
representative of the Government of India in and for
the country comprising that territory or place."

Partial repeal
of section 8,
Act III,
1891.

5. In section 8 of the Indian Evidence Act (1871) III of 1891.
Amendment Act, 1891, the words and figures from
"and to the same" to the end of the section are
hereby repealed.